# **FISCAL NOTE**

**Bill #: SB0072** Title: Revise water quality laws

**Primary** 

**Sponsor: Bob Keenan** As introduced Status:

Sponsor signature	Date	Dave Lewis, Budget Director	Date

**Fiscal Summary** 

·	FY2000 <u>Difference</u>	FY2001 <u>Difference</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	\$0	\$0

Revenue:

General Fund \$2,500 \$2,500

**Net Impact on General Fund Balance:** \$2,500 \$2,500

Yes	No X	Significant Local Gov. Impact	Yes	No X	Technical Concerns
	X	Included in the Executive Budget		X	Significant Long- Term Impacts

## **Fiscal Analysis**

#### **ASSUMPTIONS:**

#### **Department of Environmental Quality**

- 1. Federal grant funds have previously been authorized by the U. S. EPA to fund the water and wastewater operator certification program and used by the department.
- 2. Sections 3, 4, 5 and 6 will have no net effect on program expenditures and will only codify an existing practice.
- 3. The changes in Sections 3, 4, 5 and 6 are proposed as a result of a legislative audit.
- 4. Section 9 provides for enforcement. The number and type of violations to the act that are assessed an administrative penalty will remain the same as in the previous years. FY 1997 and FY 1998 administrative penalties assessed are approximately \$5,000 per biennum.

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- 5. The additional revenues would be twice the current revenues ( $\$5,000 \times 2 = \$10,000$  for the biennium) for a difference of \$5,000 for the 2001 biennium or \$2,500/year.
- 6. All administrative penalties received will continue to be deposited into the general fund.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

	FY2000	FY2001
	<u>Difference</u>	<b>Difference</b>
Revenues:		
General Fund (01)	\$2,500	\$2,500
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revent	ue minus Expenditure):	
General Fund (01)	\$2,500	\$2,500

## EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

Local governments and other owners and operators of public water systems that violate the act and are assessed an administrative penalty, may be assessed an amount up to twice the previous amounts.